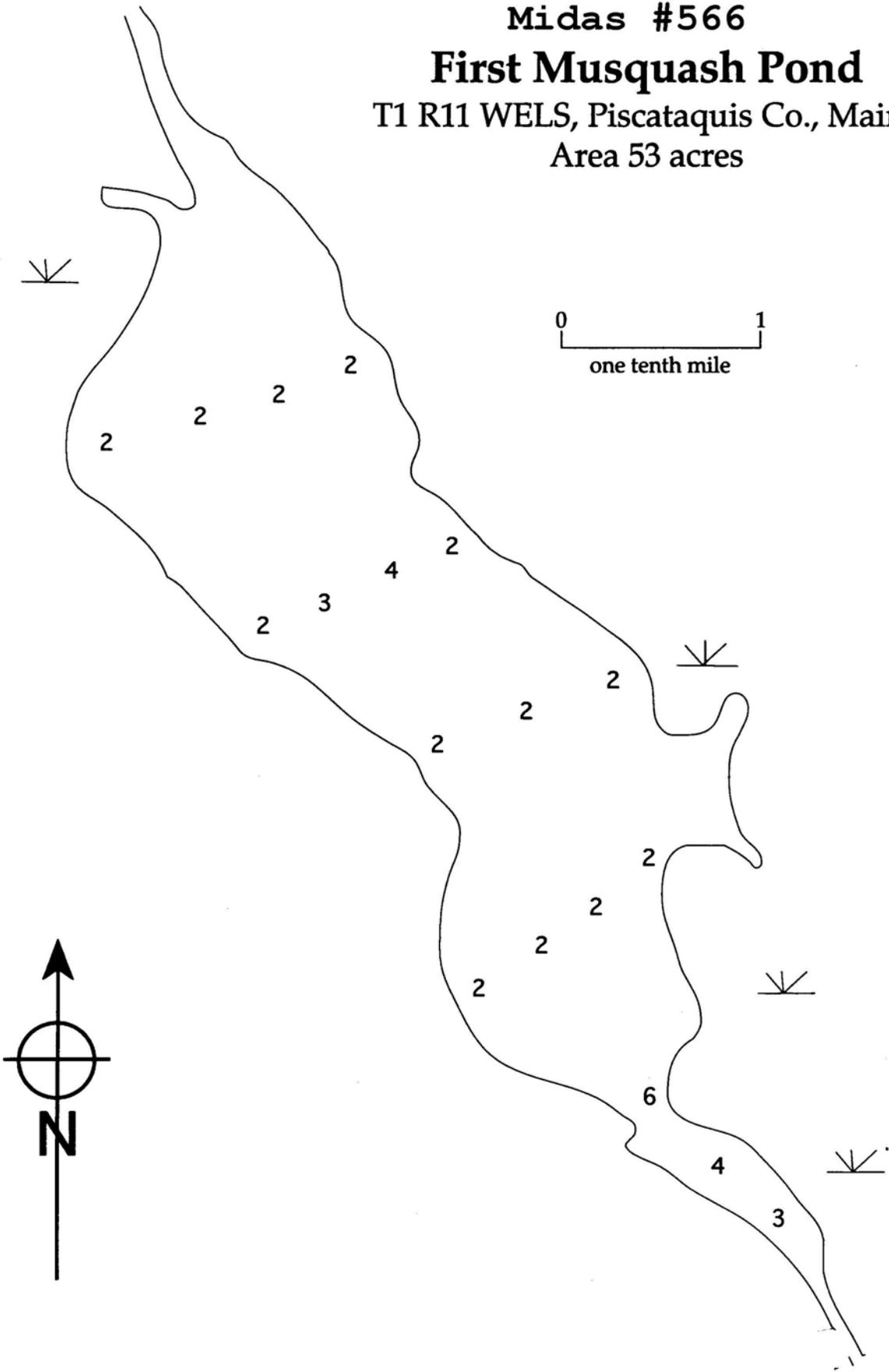


**Midas #566**  
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T1 R11 WELS, Piscataquis Co., Maine  
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T1 R11 WELS, Piscataquis Co.  
U.S.G.S. Wadleigh Mountain, Me (7 ½ ')

## Fishes

Minnows

Common shiner

Finescale  
dace  
Creek chub

## Physical Characteristics

Area - 53 acres

Maximum depth - 6 feet

Principal fisheries: None

Temperatures:

Surface - 77°F

6 feet - 77°F

First Musquash Pond is located just off the Jo-Mary Road in the Nahmakanta Lake Public Lot. A short trail from the roadside campsite leads to the east shore of the pond.

The immediate shoreline of the pond is boggy and very soft with a few cedar trees. A ledge/boulder pine knoll is located near the access trail.

The pond is very shallow with abundant aquatic vegetation. The channel from First Musquash Pond to Second Musquash Pond was very shallow with boulders throughout. Also, beaver dams were present which impede movements between the ponds. No other tributaries were located at the time of the survey. The outlet was boulder strewn with pockets of gravel.

Although trout may be caught occasionally, the pond offers little potential for coldwater fishery management.

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